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FM AMEMBASSY OUAGADOUGOU

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 8545

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SUBJECT: FY-7 IV PROGRAM

1. GOUV MINISTER OF JUSTICE TECHNICAL COUNSELOR MICHEL DAH HAS INFORMED EMBASSY THAT PRES. LAMIZANA HAS CHARGED CHEF D'ESCADRON BAGNAMOU BONDE, VOLTAN SECRETARY OF STATE FOR JUSTICE, WITH THE RESPONSIBILITY OF REVIEWING ALL LEGISLATION PRESENTLY APPLIED IN UV WITH VIEW TO IMPLEMENTING CHANGES. CURRENT UV LEGISLATION BASED ON OLD FRENCH LAWS WHICH NO LONGER RELEVANT. BONDE PLAN- NING VISIT TO SEVERAL WESTERN EUROPE COUNTRIES O/A OCT 15 FOR CONSULTATIONS AND EXAMINATION THEIR LAWS. BONDE FEELS THAT IT WOULD BE RELEVANT TO HAVE SAME TYPE CONSULTATION IN US, BUT HIS LIMITED TRAVEL BUDGET PRE- CLUDES THIS POSSIBILITY.

2. EMBASSY BELIEVES THAT IT WOULD DEFINITELY IN USG INTERESTS FOR BONDE TO VISIT US FOR THIS PURPOSE AND WOULD LIKE TO PROPOSE HIM FOR AN IV GRANT; HOWEVER, DAH BELIEVES BONDE WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO STAY MORE THAN 10 DAYS IN US.

3. EMBASSY WILL CONTINUE TO EXPLORE POSSIBILITY OF EXTENDING VISIT TO MINIMUM OF 15 DAYS, BUT CONSIDER SUCCESS IMPROBABL BECAUSE IT IS DOUBTFUL THAT PRES. LAMIZANA WILL AGREE TO BONDE'S BEING ABSENT FOR A MONTH. WE REALIZE SHORT-TERM GRANT UNUSUAL BUT URGENTLY REQUEST DEPARTMENT CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A GRANT PAYING TRAVEL

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EUROPE TO EAST COAST AND RETURN TO EUROPE AND PER DIEM

FOR APPROXIMATELY 10 DAYS IN US. EMBASSY BELIEVES THE
VALUE OF PROGRAM NOR REORGANIZATION OF GOUV
LEGAL SYSTEM AND EXCEPTIONAL OPPORTUNITY TO FURTHER US
POLICY OBJECTIVES ARE STRONG FACTORS FOR GRANTING
EXCEPTION.

4. ADVISE ASAP IF BONDE CAN BE PROGRAMMED LATE OCTOBER
OR EARLY NOVEMBER. BIO DATA WILL FOLLOW AS SOON AS
APPROVAL RECEIVED. DECON 9-30-75.
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